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Sincerely,

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

The following is filed in timely response to the Office Action mailed on November 21, 2006, wherein the Examiner:

1. Objected to informalities in Claims 1-2.
2. Rejected Claims 1, 2, 4-7, 9-15, and 23 under Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over Aoyama et al., Japanese Patent Appl. Publ. No. 02-240607.
3. Rejected Claims 3, 8, and 21-22 under Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over Aoyama et al., Japanese Patent Appl. Publ. No. 02-240607 as applied to the above claims.

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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